

GOALS AT LAST AS BLUES PULL BACK

COMING back from 2-0 down against Enfield, Wycombe Wanderers picked up their first point from three Isthmian League outings on Saturday.

Tony Amos was the man who eventually sealed the draw, heading home Larry Pritchard's free kick five minutes from the end. It was Amos' first goal in the Wycombe shirt — one hopes it will open the floodgates.

For Wycombe's main problem at the moment is scoring goals. Again on Saturday many chances went untaken against a very ordinary Enfield outfit which included Phil Wood who was with Wanderers at the start of the season.

Defensively, Saturday's line up must have been Enfield's weakest for many years. Fortunately for them they have three class forwards who can make up for their very ordinary defence. But last year, Wanderers were putting



ROBB WILLIAMS
... unhappy match.

three of four goals past teams of this calibre.

As expected, Manager Brian Lee dropped Barry Davies in midfield moving Robb Williams into midfield and bringing back Mick Holfield. At full back Ian Rundle replaced the inconsistent Paul Birdseye.

This formation certainly didn't seem the answer to Wanderers' problems, mainly due to the fact that Williams went through a nightmare 90 minutes and against his brother Andy in the Enfield goal too! Not only did Rob fire three efforts high over the top but his general game suffered badly.

Holfield did his job by scoring his third goal of the season in the opening minutes of the second half but he wasn't consistently dangerous enough. The one real success was Ian Rundle — a vastly improved player.

Tony Amos wasted two early chances by heading over before Tony Turley replied for Enfield, Maskell coming out well to smother the danger. But after 21 minutes he was left well beaten by the same

player.

Young Tony Gibson, a trialist with Luton Town, dispossed Holfield and beat three men en route to goal. A slip through to Turley saw the International curve his shot

but hard, if sometimes illegal defensive work by Enfield's back line, maintained their lead until the whistle.

A Wycombe score was needed early on if they were to make any impression on

behind the Blues with Holfield and Amos both going close. However, their rally petered out in the later stages with the crowd, a poor one for the usual Enfield encounter, groaned as Williams thundered two shots high over his brother's goalposts.

It took Enfield 22 minutes of the half to stage their first reply, Gray shooting Turley's pass wide after a quick breakaway.

Although the two front runners looked dangerous, Delaney was in commanding form in the air, while Gerry Olsen tidied up well. Full back Derek Gamblin spent as much time in attack as defence, using the top wing to good effect in the second half.

A fierce tackle by Gibson on Holfield brought Alan Gane into the action, Mick hobbling off after 88 minutes.

Two minutes later Wycombe clinched a point via Tony Amos. Larry Pritchard placed his free kick perfectly to the far post, where a shocking piece of marking allowed Amos to steer his header unchallenged into the far cor-

ner. A victorious leap into the air, arm raised, showed the England forward's delight and no doubt relief for breaking his goal deadlock.

The scene looked set for a furious last five minutes, but it never really came. Les Stonebridge had his name taken by referee B. Robinson and Wycombe were happy with a point.

Watching all this from the sidelines was Tony Horseman, recently signed on again at Wycombe. Although hardly a progressive step, Bodger could make all the difference to Wanderers at the moment, his experience and understanding with Keith Searle might well put the Blues back on the winning road again.

WYCOMBE WANDERERS: J. Maskell, I. Rundle, G. Olsen, J. Delaney, D. Gamblin, R. Williams, L. Pritchard, M. Holfield (sub: A. Gane, 84 mins.), A. Amos, K. Searle, J. Hutchinson.

ENFIELD: A. Williams, L. Stonebridge, T. Gibson, J. Payne, P. Betson, P. Wood, J. Butterfield, S. Edmondson, J. Brooks, K. Gray, A. Turley. Sub: S. Hill (not used).

Referee: B. K. Robinson (Shepperton). Half times: 0-2, Goalscorers — Enfield Turley 2 (21, 30), Wycombe Holfield (47), Amos.

Official paying attendance: 1,011.

Approx attendance: 2,100.

Wycombe W. 2, Enfield 2

Report by Stuart Earp

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE (up to and including 9/5/72)										
	F	W	D	L	F	A	P			
Hendon	9	8	1	0	27	6	17			
Walton	7	7	0	1	3	2	14			
Walslow	A	5	3	1	2	1	7			
Wycombe W	6	6	1	2	2	5	13			
Enfield	5	5	2	2	7	10	12			
Sutton Utd	0	5	2	1	1	6	9			
Tooling & M	4	4	2	2	1	7	11			
Woking	9	4	2	3	3	9	10			
Bishop's S	0	3	4	2	1	0	7			
Ilford	6	4	2	2	4	1	7			
Dulwich H	7	3	3	1	1	0	8			
Haves	8	3	2	3	0	9	9			
Leistonstone	9	3	1	5	10	14	4			
St. Albans C	9	3	1	5	12	17	7			
Leatherhead	9	2	2	1	1	1	6			
Hitchin Town	8	3	0	5	12	14	6			
Barking	9	2	1	3	1	1	5			
Kingstonian	5	1	2	5	5	2	6			
Clapton	8	0	3	5	9	21	3			
Oxford City	9	0	3	6	7	29	3			
Corinthian C	6	1	0	5	6	22	2			
Brumley	7	0	1	6	2	13	1			

out of Maskell's reach, for his tenth goal of the season. Wycombe's top scorer is still John Delaney with 4.

The same player was on the spot again eight minutes later, lobbing home a difficult shot over the helpless Maskell to put Enfield two up. In the 15 minutes before the interval, Johnny Hutchinson brought a full length save from Williams

the game and the Blues came out for the second half looking a completely different side. In only the second minute Mick Holfield ran through three tackles and poked the ball wide of Williams.

For a time it looked as though Enfield would be swamped. There was much more fire and determination